**APPENDIX S1**

The assumptions of linear regression were tested using the Durbin-Watson test for autocorrelation and tolerance levels as a measure of multicollinearity. Plots of residual errors were used to check linearity, normality and heteroscedasticity.

**APPENDIX S2**

It is also relevant to look not only at overall costs averaged across all participants, but more importantly by categories such as severity and form of treatment, as this is where the groups differ greatly.